

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 794
By McDonald

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Florence Sloan on the celebration of her 100th birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Florence Sloan will celebrate her 100th birthday on February 20, 2004, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of Willie and Ida Sherron, Mrs. Sloan was born and raised in the Rockbridge Community of Sumner County, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the sibling of four brothers and three sisters, Mrs. Sloan's one living sister resides in Louisville, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Sloan moved to a farm in the Oak Grove Community of Sumner County in 1924, and resides there to this day; and

WHEREAS, survivor of the Sumner County tornado of 1925, Mrs. Sloan remembers that her neighbors were not quite as fortunate; and

WHEREAS, an avid gardener, she tended her garden until she suffered ill health in 1995; and

WHEREAS, in 1924 she was joined in marriage with Virgil Sloan, and the couple enjoyed a most blessed union for 30 years until his untimely passing; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Sloan is the proud parent of William and Earline Sloan; she is also the grandmother of two granddaughters, two great grand-daughters, one great-grandson, four great-great-grandsons, and one great-great-granddaughter, all of whom are living; and

WHEREAS, as Mrs. Sloan approaches her eleventh decade, she is still an active and productive member of society and attends services and events at Rockbridge Baptist Church as her health permits; and

WHEREAS, she continues to enjoy reading and quilting, as she has throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Mrs. Florence Slogan on the celebration of her 100th birthday and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.